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Fierce Fighting in Progress on West Bank of the Danube.

(BY ATLANTIC CABLE AND DIRECT WIRE—EXCLUSIVE DISPATCH.)

PETROGRAD, Dec. 19, 2 p.m. (via London, Dec. 20, 3:55 a.m.)—The passage across the Russian frontier of thousands of Rumanians who have abandoned their houses and property in the face of the invading Germans and Bulgarians has cast the shadow of a new refugee problem on the Russian empire. These refugees have been pouring into Odessa, Kiev and other southern Russian cities in a destitute and helpless condition and present a problem which threatens to be more difficult than any which has confronted a belligerent power since the invasion of Belgium.

FIGHTING ON DANUBE.

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BERLIN, Dec. 20 (via Saville.)—Fighting has been in progress on the west bank of the Danube, nearly opposite Herosva, Dobruja, between Russian and German troops. The War Office announced today that attacks on the Rumanian lines were repulsed. Outpost engagements of considerable violence also have taken place on the Danube side of the Danube. The official communiqué reads:

"Rumanian front: Rifle fire and artillery duels are proceeding. In the direction of Rumania-Budzus several combat operations are being conducted by our troops. On the left bank of the Danube enemy attacks have been repulsed."

"In Dobruja, on the right bank, fighting is proceeding between advanced posts and attacks made more than the average intensity in the region of the village of Cerna and in the center of the region of Umanca.

ON THE BLACK SEA.

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To State Terms.

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ground so far in the major issues are now settled. It may with all the belligerent force be urged that the belligerents get together and settle by the give-and-take process those differences which constitute only minor questions in comparison with great questions.

These views of Mr. Wilson's possibility of the situation are being presented to the Secretary of State and by them are being transmitted to their governments. In this way the administration believed it could secure the cordial reception of the President's notes by all the belligerents and for a response of the character which Mr. Wilson believes would provide a foundation for actual peace negotiations.

The President composed his peace note the latter part of last week. It was given to him by the Secretary of State and he personally had decided to address an appeal to the Allies to enter into peace negotiations with the Central Powers. The following day the Secretary of State gave full endorsement of the note to the President, thus preventing the President from coupling his peace note with the transmission of the German overtures to the Allies. Then Mr. Wilson conceived the idea of addressing an appeal to all the belligerents.

CABLES DUEY.

For several days the cables between the United States and England have been filled with messages from the British office of the Allies toward the possible move by Mr. Wilson in the direction of peace. Ambassador Gruening and General Sir Edward Montagu were called on by Mr. Lloyd George intended to state in Parliament yesterday.

The President knew in advance that the British intended to give the German overtures a cool reception in public. He was advised that the British government would resent any attempt to argue it into direct acceptance of the German invitation to discuss peace. On the

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For the week ending Sunday, December 17, the Los Angeles newspapers published the following number of lines of advertising (200 acute lines make one column):

	Display	Classified	Total
First—Los Angeles Times	195,874	87,962	283,836
Second—Daily News	100,000	100,000	200,000
Third morning paper	25,752	25,752	51,504
Fourth morning paper	29,352	29,352	58,704
First evening paper	247,052	15,152	262,204
Second evening paper	125,000	125,000	250,000
Third evening paper	58,558	4,150	62,708
			58,446
			284,250

American trade, search American mails and blacklist American firms. The President has failed to obtain any concessions by Great Britain and has hesitated to invoke retaliatory measures.

Peace or a prospect thereof would relieve the President of the embarrassment of uncompromising policies, remove the damages of further complications, involving the United States, and open the way to a settlement of all the disputes by diplomacy or arbitration process after the war.

That this consideration figures prominently in the President's peace was demonstrated tonight when his administration admitted that pending the outcome of Mr. Wilson's appeal to the belligerents over the controversy with Germany over the treatment of Armenians and the killing of Armenians and the disputes with England over trade and communication will be allowed to sleep.

TO THE BELLIGERENTS.

The notes to the belligerents are prefaced with this instruction by the American Ambassador presenting them to the Foreign Ministers of the United States.

"The President directs me to send you the following communication to be presented immediately to the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the government to which you are accredited."

The texts of the notes themselves then begin identically as follows: "The War Office announcement to-night states that the hostile forces after retreating to the northern frontier of Dobruja, have again offered resistance. The text reads:

"On the western and eastern fronts there have been no important actions. In the most northern front Dobruja, the Russians retreated there, has again offered fighting resistance. In the Cerna bend (Moldavian front) hostile action has been discontinued after a strong artillery fire failed before our guns."

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"The suggestion which I am instructed to make to the President of the Central Powers is that he should not let it in mind to offer. He is somewhat embarrassed to offer it at this particular time because it may not be possible to conclude a peace with the Central Powers. The world has been left to conjecture what definitive result, what kind of a peace may be obtained, and a definite proposal of a peace will be rendered vain.

"It may be that peace is nearer than we know; that the terms which the belligerents on the one side and on the other would insist upon are not yet known. We must be called to a conference to determine what some have feared; that an interchange of views would clear the way for a conference and a meeting of the heads of the Central Powers.

"The President can only beg that his suggestion be considered entirely on its merits and not on its origin. He should have delivered offering it until these overtures had been independently answered but for the fact that it also concerns the question of peace and may be better understood by all concerned, and he confidently hopes for a response which have the same end in view.

"TO WHOM SENT.

"The note to the Entente Allies will be delivered to Great Britain, France, Italy, Japan, Russia, Belgium, Montenegro, Portugal, Rumania, Serbia, and to the Central Powers to be delivered to Austria-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria."

"It is being delivered to all neutral governments for their information.

Mobilization.

BRITISH CONTROL OF MERCHANTMEN.

TO COMMANDERS ALL SPACE TO FEED PEOPLE.

PETITION WILSON TO AID BELGIANS.

THOUSANDS DEMAND PROTEST OVER DEPORTATIONS.

FIND PARALLEL TO WILSON ACT.

Precedents.

Peace and Power

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Problems of Slaves

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Bethlehem Steel Hardest Hit and Drops 72 Points.

Rails Only Notable Exception in Big Reversal.

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New York, N. Y. 36 16

North Head, Wash. 48 44

Oklahoma City, Okla. 56 48

Omaha, Neb. 8 8

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RESIGNATION CONFIRMED.

BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE.]

DES MOINES (Iowa) Dec. 20.—Clifford Thorne, chairman of the Iowa Railroad Commission, today confirmed his reported resignation from the commission.

BANK BANDITS MAKE BIG HAUL.

TULSA (Okla.) Dec. 20.—Oklahoma bank robbers made a large haul early today when they entered the Oklahoma National Bank at Muskogee, nearly half an hour after they had escaped in an automobile with \$20,000 in currency and silver. They had several hours start on posse formed in Tulsa and Skiatook, as telephone telegraph wires leading into the town had been cut.

VOLCANO EXPLODES, 15 DIE.

BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE.]

SAN SALVADOR (Republic of Salvador) Dec. 20.—A volcanic explosion near the small village of Verapaz, Guatemala, has caused the death of fifteen persons.

SECRET SENATE SESSION.

BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE.]

PARIS, Dec. 20.—The Senate had a five-hour's secret meeting yesterday. It decided to discuss all of pending business, and decided to hold another secret meeting tomorrow.

PROBLEMS OF SLAVES.

Paris Congress show that it was very weak when it reformed its defense act," de-

fended Hill.

"There must be great improvement un-

der our system," Gen. Scott re-

THURSDAY MORNING.

Sixty-fourth Congress.

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Likely to Discuss Gen. Scott's Criticism.

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The Weather.

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HEAVY RAINS MAKE SOUTH A FEW DEGREES WARMER.

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Pacific Slope

Vigilant.
FRICITION.
INSTON SENDS TROOPS TO AJO.

is on the Watch to prevent an Outbreak.
Death of Pneumonia reported at El Paso.

Tiffs Occurred When Crew was Facing Death.

Will Use Logmen's Methods Salvage Submarine.

(BY A. P. DAY WIRE.)
BUREKA, Dec. 20.—As a result of friction between navy and coast guard officers in the work of rescuing the crew of the H-3 and saving the diver from the breakers near here, charges were preferred yesterday against Capt. Laurence Ellson, keeper of the Humboldt Bay life saving station, by Lieut. William F. Howe, commander of the marine cherine. It was said the charges will result in a court-martial of Capt. Ellson.

The nature of Lieut. Howe's charges were not disclosed, but it is believed they will be similar to those as to when and how the crew of the H-3 should be taken off the ship.

Ellson again pressed against risking the lives of his men to save property—the H-3.

The H-3, nine feet deep in water, sank yesterday. There may be "logged out" precious in the giant redwood trees, it is learned today.

A proposal now being considered by the Navy Department is to have the crew to build a sled down the beach to the vessel, haul her up with a donkey engine, across half a mile of sand drifts, and regular army during the last days.

DEATHS AT DEMING.

(BY A. P. DAY WIRE.)
DEMING (N. M.), Dec. 20.—Sixty deaths occurred here during ten days from pneumonia, the highest death rate since the National Guard brigades were here during which the miners dropped suddenly and each sickness among the miners according to the hospital records.

FIR LUMBER RATE TO BE ADVANCED.

(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE.)
SEATTLE, Dec. 20.—Army officers on the border reported today there was no danger to the lumber mills in the Pacific Northwest, and a son of W. E. United States Minister to Canada, has been appointed to the command of the 600 miners following the reports of a contemplated strike.

MR. GONZALEZ DIES.

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PROGRESSIVES BLOCK CONFIRMING DANIELS.

(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE.)
WASHINGON, Dec. 20.—Conflicting reports were made by Mr. Daniels of New Jersey to succeed himself as a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission was prevented in the Senate today by Progressive Republican Senators who blocked confirmation for two months when Mr. Daniels first was nominated for the commission in 1914. His present term expires January 1.

Opponents to confirmation base their opposition to rulings made by Mr. Daniels when he was Public Utilities Commissioner of New Jersey, but his friends here tonight were confident he ultimately would be confirmed.

The Senate today confirmed Edwin F. Sweet as Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

HILLES SAYS G.O.P. LACKS REAL LEADER.

(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE.)
NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Declaring that the Republican party lacks a leader, Charles E. Hill, former chairman of the nation's Committee, urged at a meeting of the Republican Club here tonight that a conference of men prominent in the practical field be held in the near future within a few months to plan for the next Presidential campaign.

Other speakers urged the need of a national convention. Senator John W. Weeks of Massachusetts advised a man of experience, trained in the party councils, should be made national chairman. He suggested that the vice-chairman should be elected and elect one of their number to the chairmanship. Senator Weeks contended the present methods of nominating candidates were wasteful and inefficient. He proposed a return to "party machines."

The national, Congressional and state committees should work together and not separately, he said, and funds should be collected by a central bureau.

Sen. Charles C. Mathews of California, Senator-elect from New York, expressed the opinion that if James R. Shefield, president of the Republican Club, could be elected chairman, Chas. E. Hughes on his western trip in the last campaign he would have kept the Republican candidate out of complications which were in a measure responsible for his defeat.

YOUTH AND AGED WORK.

Old men and young men fit for military service are being employed in the building operations. Miss Polk's task is not without difficulties, such as often confront American building contractors. She has had to meet the practical realization of Miss Daniel's Park of San Francisco, known in the community as "Mademoiselle de Ches Nous," or "Miss One of Us," who is superintending the work.

REBELLION AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT.

(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE.)
MEXICO CITY, Dec. 20.—A rebellion against the government has been presented to the Constitutional Congress by the sugar manufacturers and salesmen who attended a meeting of 750 here to advance the price of all sugar to shipment for the market of Mexico, asking for a protection of \$100,000 a ton.

No new cases have been reported in the last eight days.

BEET-SUGAR MEN WANT MORE MONEY.

(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE.)
MONTEVIDEO, Dec. 20.—Sugar growers in this section, dissatisfied with what they declare is a low return for their crops in the face of increased sugar prices, appealed to the Constitutional Congress to increase the amount of sugar to be shipped to the market in the new constitution.

IN NEW FEDERAL FOOD DEPARTMENT.

(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE.)
NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Creation of a new Federal Department, to be headed by a state superintendent for as necessary, to regulate the food division of the business of the State, will be recommended to the Legislative Committee on Food Control by the coming session of the Legislature, Charles W. Wicks, chairman of the committee, said today.

In a preliminary regarding the bill, Senator Wicks outlined the proposed department for the establishment of markets.

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to say to his son, "It is not my business to say what religion you shall embrace nor to insist that you shall adopt any creed or dogma; but, in the name of common sense, give your body and mind a square deal and, for your own sake, try to follow the Golden Rule in your dealings with all men and women."

Young men should be taught that the greatest men in history have always been the best men. The world has had its daring soldiers, its masterful inventors, its wizards of science and its highbrow exponents of lofty theories, but for true greatness none of these can be compared for one moment with such men as Christ or Krishna or Buddha or Confucius. The progressive Occident seems best to understand and appreciate Christ, although He was an oriental. Our best laws and institutions are founded upon His teachings, and many of us consider Him the Divine Messenger who came to earth to make us a little better acquainted with that staggering mystery that men call God. But whether or not any of these men were divine, in the commonly-accepted meaning of the word, their common point of greatness lies in the fact that they were good men and that their lives and doctrines brought happiness to the human race. It has been lightly asserted that these greatest and best men of history were either God-mad fanatics or simply insane theorists. It is not true. Fanatics and insanity could not find a world religion nor preach a Sermon on the Mount any more than they could institute a school of learning or invent a steamship or lay a cable under the sea. Confucius, living simply and honestly day by day and exhorting his followers to temperance and virtue and cleanliness, was one of the wisest of men. Buddha, leaving his luxurious palace for solitude and meditation in order to become master of himself, is a shining example of sanity. When men do wrong it is because they are blind, because they do not realize the results of the laws they break, because they do not know the joy of applying right principles to noble purpose.

The rampant labor-union leaders, like Gompers and Debs, do not want industrial peace; they want war because they fatten on it. The whole tribe of walking delegates are against anything that would put a stop to strikes—or course they are—for the reason that they get all their pickings and rakes in times of disturbance. This is an all-important fact which most newspapermen ignore in their discussions of this question; but herein you have the real reason why Gompers, Debs & Co. are shouting against the President's plan of compulsory arbitration to remove from Belgians of the dangers of idleness and distress of work occasioned by receiving assistance."

"The working people," said Von Bissing, "for lack of work are deteriorating physically and morally, and especially skilled laborers lost their capacity and could not be employed in time of peace in Belgian industry. As there is no 'time of peace' in sight, and as Germany has burned or blown up the places where Belgian industry was formerly employed, it was determined to employ Belgians in Germany, and thither Belgian workers were taken by force, while their wives and children were left to starve or subsist upon American contributions."

The justification of Von Bissing of this act of infamy is as logical as that of the horse thief who said that he took the horse because he was tired of walking, or that of the cattle thief who drove away his neighbor's steer because he was "out of breath."

A WORD TO YOUNG MEN.

Because the criminal tendency is increasing on the part of the youth of our land, and because the physical health and moral integrity of young men are more important to the State than its politics, sciences, industries and arts, therefore this editorial is written. The Times is not the organ of any religion or cult and this article is not an attempt to sermonize, but it is intended merely as a suggestion and an appeal to young men and to those responsible for their instruction. With all due credit to the churches for the good they do, with fitting respect for the leaders of religious institutions and reverence for their founders, let us admit that neither churchianity, mysticism nor fraternal brotherhoods can ever take the place of true thinking, honest living and the right education of individuals. It is the duty of every father

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BY EUGENE BROWN.

Little Brighteyes.
"Be good, sweet maid"—I thus began my speech
By quoting verse to pert Pauline,
the peach.
"You bet your life I will," she made reply,
"I'm raising wings and ripe for flyin'
Just now I'm

The Pink Pages—Sporting News—The Foremost Recent Events Graphically Told.

PEN POINTS.
BY THE STAFF.

On the green holly
holly—more of that than ever else
Looks like an ideal Christmas
Southern California.

Christmas is the biggest
out—and next will be the Midway
Number of The Times.

A strike is on in Spain on account
of the high cost of living. But there
are other handicaps to living in the
country.

Storms in Yucatan have damaged
the sisal crop in that country. The
sisal crop is excellent, though.

The second session of the
fourth Congress is marking
that is an improvement on
san and imminent legislation.

The Allies—no doubt are of
opinion that the nearest cut to
in the furthest way would
make them more willing to
the Balkans.

The high cost of living has
touched the perfectly good
account, and it never will
be in the stormy days of life.

The first food restrictions
have gone into effect in England, and
two courses are now served at
breakfast. One of the courses
is Washington Park, a little
known among them, shouting
up of his rancorous voice:

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the job of digging the post
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FOR SUCH IS THE KING
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No Christmas cheer enjoyed.

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GRACE,

Los Angeles, December 20.

AXON SIX

25 Nov. \$980 Jan. 1.

AXON MOTOR SALES CO.

12th and Olive Sts.

WATCHES

MONTGOMERY BROS.
Jewelers
4th and Broadway



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THURSDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 21, 1916.—TWO-PAGE BUDGET.

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IN DIEGO TAKES THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TITLE FROM MANUAL ARTS.

**DIEGO IS
SOUTH'S CHAMP**

**Hopes Brightened in
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**Acts Like Electric
Magic to Southerners.**

**Excellent Exhibition
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San Diego holding Manual.

Harold Galloway, the Toilers quarterback, is shown here trying to score by throwing a forward pass after backs had failed to pierce the southern line. This pass was also smothered.

Racing.

**WILBUR D'ALENE
HAS FAST MOUNT.**

**NEVADA WILD MAN EXPECTED
TO SHOW CLASS.**

Racing.

**JACK COOK CASTS HIS
LOT WITH SALT LAKE.**

Well, Well!

BY DIRECT WIRE—EXCLUSIVE DISPATCH.

SALT LAKE, Dec. 20.—San Francisco is soon to lose one of its famous baseball figures, for John P. Cook, better known as plain "Jack" Cook, has decided to pass his lot with Salt Lake's baseball fraternity. In other words, all has been cocked and primed for the Oakland official to become business manager and assistant secretary of the Bees.

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**WRESTLERS CLAIM
SMOOTH SAILING.**

**STRANGLER LEWIS FAVORITE
OVER DAVIS COURT.**

Both Confident.

POETS IN NO HURRY.

WHITFIELD, Dec. 19.—Metropolitans

team, who have been

trying to pick the new coach

at Whittier College, may rest some

from their labors for Wilson's

several weeks yet, and may likely not

till near the end of the present

school year. "The college will not

have a successor to Coach Whitfield

until next year," said

Whitfield.

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By GALE

Business Page: Money, Stocks and Bonds—Grain—Mines—Financial Markets Abroad.

PRICES BORNE DOWN
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Liquidation Far More Active and Comprehensive Than Any Previously Experienced in Connection with Current Wall-street Dealings Keeps Stock Exchange in Turmoil—Pressure Comes from Various Directions.

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NEW YORK. Dec. 20.—Liquidity was more active and comprehensive than any previously experienced in connection with current Wall-street dealings. The selling pressure came from various directions, financial institutions calling and exercising greater discrimination against stocks, and customers to broker firms, generally without hindrance. Steel was the most liquid metal, falling 72 points. Total sales, 20,000,000 shares, were 1,825,000 shares. Total for value, \$3,575,000. Total for small bonds were unrecorded.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE. (BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE)

NEW YORK. Dec. 20.—Gold to the amount of \$4,200,000 was taken from New York Bureau of the Mint and deposited in the assay office here due to the account of J. P. Morgan and Co.

LONDON MONEY MARKET. (BY ATLANTIC CABLE & R.F.)

LONDON. Dec. 20.—Bar silver, 36 13-18 per ounce. Money, 4% per cent.

MEXICAN DOLLARS. (BY A. P. DAY WIRE)

SAN FRANCISCO. Dec. 20.—Mexican dollars, 58 44-100.

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THE GIRL. (BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE)

NEW YORK. Dec. 20.—The Girl, a painting by William Glackens, was sold at auction yesterday for \$1,000.

WINTER WIZARD. (BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE)

NEW YORK. Dec. 20.—"Winter Wizard," a Christmas present for women, after the fashion of the "Candy Girl," was shown at the Christmas Fair.

PINKERTON BUSINESS. (BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE)

NEW YORK. Dec. 20.—Pinkerton business was very active and comprehensive, with many new and additional offices opened, and affiliated offices registered.

COMPARISON OF SALARIES. (BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE)

NEW YORK BUREAU OF THE TIMES. Dec. 20.—Following is comparison of today's stock and bond selling of the final hour, virtually no recoveries to date, and gains from various directions, financial institutions calling and exercising greater discrimination against stocks, and customers to broker firms, generally without hindrance.

STOCKS AND BONDS IN SAN FRANCISCO. (BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE)

OFFICE OF THE TIMES. Los Angeles, Dec. 21, 1916.

Stock offerings yesterday were 10,180,789.23, an increase of 1,000,000 over the corresponding day last year.

1916	1915
Monday	\$4,201,004.67
Tuesday	2,946,200.24
Wednesday	2,600,140.00
Thursday	2,118,301.00

More Business.

GREATER TURNOVER
ON LOCAL EXCHANGE.

PRICES ALSO SHOW GENERAL IMPROVEMENT.

OIL ADVANCES—BROADER INQUIRY FOR MASCOT—AMALGAMATED VERY STRONG—UNITED EASTERN LEADS MINING LIST. STOCKS LISTED.

An increased volume of business and better prices for the oil and mining stocks were the main features at yesterday's session of the Los Angeles Stock Exchange. Union Oil advanced to 11.00 and total shares sold at that price were 140, counting off-board transactions. A broader inquiry for Mascot resulted in the sale of 1,000 shares at 10.50.

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Next Month.****to Be Great Exporter
of Hog Meat.****HOG STOCKMEN AND SWINE****from various parts of the state are expected to be in attendance at the sessions of the California Swine Breeders' Association which will be held in this city today and Friday, January 18-19. The sessions will be held in Standard Hall.****Among the entertaining features will be killing demonstrations, a curing display, inspection of packing plants and visits to points of interest, including the moving picture studios.****Stockmen have provided for****one or one-and-a-half days****for round trip, special offers****are being made to bring the hog****breeder and the packer together for****the purpose of creating a better mu-****understanding and a general gen-****eration of swine-breeding****knowledge in the state.****There are being made to secure****the attendance of T. E. Wilson of****New York, who is regarded as****the most prominent authority****on swine raising in the country.****The importance of hog raising in****California has been fully demon-****strated by the fact that****the state is \$6,000,000 short of the****amount of pork produced in the****State.****It has been fig-****ured that it takes one-half of a****year to raise a pig from birth to****market weight.****It is estimated that by****the time the first pigs are****ready for market in the Spring of****1917, there will be****over 1,000,000 hogs in the state.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in****the state will be \$10,000,000.****It is estimated that the****total value of the hogs raised in**

Life's Gentler Side—Society, Music, Song and the Dance—Los Angeles Theaters

SOCIETY.

CHRISTMAS greens garlanded

the walls and great showers of flaming pinetti lent radiant color to the reception and new ballroom of the Altadena Country Club, where the first Christmas party since the popular rendezvous was enlarged. It was a sort of "christening" with Miss Celia McDonald entering the large room with her young friends at one of the initial holiday festivities of the season. Supper was served but with tiny evergreen trees, decorations in them, adding their traditionalism.

The young hostess was assisted by Miss Maurece Hefflinger, Miss Frances Knowlton and others of her crew, and bidden to the table by Lee Root, Mrs. Dorothea Allen, Ruth Rowland, Ruth Lichten, Edith Lichten, Marjorie Hoffman, Edith Mason, Doris Rockwell, Julia Helm, Myra Goldfarb, Florence Henderson, Leona Scherer, Genevieve Hubbard, Mariette Starin, Ruth Dill, Helen Marguerite Gilpin, Jessie Grieves, Helen Stata, Helen Rosenburg, Helen Lockwood, Frances Herzig, Anita Hindry, Miss Ethelreda, Miss Carlson, Dorcas, Mrs. Marion Mitchell, Ella McDonald, Mildred Ellingson, Virgine Herrington, Maryann Cattren, Mrs. John McDonald, Mrs. E. W. Knobell, Mrs. Helen Kline, Mrs. Rose Kline, and Mrs. Hindry. Wardie Rubenfeld, Blair Haskett, Harry Mackin, Julian Randolph, Clement Storey, Harold Cook, George Mason, Mrs. Wright, Gerard Endenbury, Arthur Ferguson, Tom Talmadge, Earl Ottcott, Earl Thee, Charlton Brooks, Paul Shover, Russell Herrick, John Hill, Grindell, Charles John Neimayer, Lawrence Platt, Dick Kern, Ralph Hossler, Willys Held, Ray Hartman, Herman Hayes, Dowling, Murphy, McBreacan, Jerome McManus, Harry McCammon, Ed Culbertson, Francis Ledyard, Archibald McAlpine, Gene Bianchi, Foster Lyons, Herbert O'Brien, Eugene Reeker, Newton O'Brien, Eugene Reeker, Newton Cattren and Mr. Hayes.

For Holidays. Accompanied by her little daughter Lois, Mrs. Ellis Zeminsky has gone to St. Paul for a few months' visit.

New Year's.

With a serpentine battle at midnight and dancing until 2 a.m., the Jolly Bachelors have issued cards for their New Year's masquerade ball, which will be given at Flower Hall, which will be given at Flower Hall.

Welcome the New Year.

With supper at 10 o'clock, the Sterns' Madre Club is making elaborate preparations for its party New Year's Eve, for which reservations are now pouring in.

Assisting at Christmas dance,



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From Missouri.

With the intention of enjoying the winter, Mrs. Catherine Axtell and Miss Louise Axtell have come here from Kansas City and are house guests of Mrs. Minnie L. Hunt, No. 1247 Ingramham street.

Sorority Tea.

With her college sorority sisters, Misses Delta Delta Delta as guests, Miss Beulah Wright, dean of oratory of the University of Southern California, entertained at her new studio in the Brack Shop, Saturday afternoon. Tea was served, following a short program of singing by the members.

After a short honeymoon, Mr. and Mrs. Thurnbough will be at home to their friends in Eagle Rock after January 1.

In Farewell.

At the Sierra Madre Club, Friday, Mrs. Alfred Bradley of No. 1411 Harvard boulevard entertained the members of the Cotter Club at luncheon. The table was effectively set in crimson and gold, both small and large, and covers were marked for Misses J. C. Cribb, A. M. Huntly, W. T. Meiner, J. H. St. John, E. Wilson, A. S. Kunes, M. W. Brown, E. Moffat, Seamore, W. H. Wagner, Jack Wiedemann, Elizabeth Hopkins and the hostess.

As is customary, the ladies spent the afternoon in a auction. Mrs. Elizabeth Hopkins was to take the same party to the Virginia Hotel, Long Beach, January 11.

Henrietta Miller Marries.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. William Miller, No. 4215 Crescent street, was the scene of a pretty wedding Thursday evening, between his daughter, Miss Mabel Henrietta, and Charles F. Thorburnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Thorburnson.

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them. They expect startling developments within the next few hours. A former employee of Ralph's, named "Lambert," has told the detective force of her employers yesterday mentioned "Lambert" to her and said that he "might try to get" her.

JOHNSON COMMUTES THREE CONVICTS.

BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE:

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 20.—Gov. Johnson granted commutations of sentence today to three convicts in San Quentin, San Francisco, upon recommendation of the State Parole Board. In each case the commutation stipulates that the prisoners shall serve half their liberty immediately. George Sterling and John Epperson, at Folsom Prison, and Adyson Blair, at San Quentin, were the men to whom executive clemency was granted.

Sterling was sentenced from San Francisco in 1904 to a term of twenty-five years for robbery. He was admitted to parole some time ago and made good. Epperson, an Indian, was sentenced from Plumas County in 1905 to a term of thirty years for assaulting a young woman. He also has been out on parole.

Blair was sentenced to twenty years for second degree murder committed in San Francisco in 1907. His sentence was peculiar in that it was given him to kill a woman he was endeavoring to take money from when it appeared that the shooting might have been accidental, but he was convicted and spent some time in prison. He has been on parole for several years.

RESCUE CREW OFF GASOLINE LAUNCH

BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE:

VICTORIA (B. C.), Dec. 20.—A wireless dispatch from Alex Bay says that the steamship Humboldt north bound, left Victoria at 12 o'clock sharp and took four hours to reach Storm Island. They were left with a week's provisions. One of them, Teddy Brown, was sick with grippe and had to be left behind. The man who had charge of the boat was left to care for him. The men belong to the survey party which came to lay out the line launch studio, which we wrecked a week ago. The names of the rescued men are McLean, Osborne, Nichols and Carswell.

PAID TEN THOUSAND FOR COTTON LEASE

(LOCAL CORRESPONDENCE)

CALEXICO, Dec. 20.—R. A. Gold and wife, and Castro of Los Angeles have purchased for \$14,000 the lease of Clifton Curtis on 120 acres of cotton land on the Pacific and ranch, three miles east of Mexicali.

Mr. Curtis planted 3,200 acres cotton this year, the crop being valued at nearly \$125,000, which considered an indication of value of farming lands in Lower California.

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The Public Service.

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PLAN TO ANNEX ANGELES MESA.

ACTIVE CAMPAIGN GOING ON IN THE TERRITORY.

Mayor and Members of Consultation Commission are to Deliver Addresses Tonight—Inglewood and Sherman also may become Part of Greater City.

An active campaign for the annexation of the Angeles Mesa district has been inaugurated and Mayor Woodman, President Botkouski of the Council and George Dunlop of the Consolidation Commission are scheduled to address a public meeting there tonight. Petitions asking the Council to call an election and are expected to be presented early in the new year. A movement is also on foot for bringing Sherman and Inglewood into the city.

Because of the possibility of these annexations, Los Angeles employees of the City Engineer's department yesterday asked the Board of Public Works for further extension of the time in which contributions are required to move into the city. The limit was set as January 1, 1917, some months ago.

Another reason advanced for this extension is that the men have been unable to sell their property. They ask for another six months' extension and say if that cannot be granted the time should at least be extended until after the annexation elections.

AGE NOT A BAR.

EFFICIENCY THE TEST.

Efficiency, not age, is the proper test for service says the City Supervisor in notifying the Board of Public Works that it has no legal right to refuse to certify a laborer to any department after he has been laid off by another department.

The commission states that notwithstanding the fact that it has established an age limit it believes that rule to be an absolute injustice to many men and the limit retained only because of lack of funds to establish an efficiency record.

"Efficiency or inefficiency should be the basis upon which a man should be retained or released from the public service," said the commission. "The commission is of the opinion that age years do not make a man fit for a man in the service to be certified to the Public Works Department, and if any man so certified are, by reason of age or other disabilities unable to do the work required, then that should be discounted." President Craig points out that the commission has no jurisdiction over discharges and looks to the various departments to take care of inefficiencies.

The Board of Public Works takes the position that the commission should not make it the instrument of dismissal. It says that aged members of the various departments certified to it—in other words the park department "passed the buck."

A CLEAN SLATE.

RAILWAYS AND CITY.

Major Woodman passed on papers yesterday authorizing the settlement of all the disputes at the harbor between the city and the Southern Pacific and Pacific Electric and said the prospects for an early settlement were encouraging.

"We are going to clean up from A to Z," the mayor said. President Gordon of the Board of Harbor Commissioners will meet with railroad officials today.

ACTION HELD UP.

BIDS EXCEED ESTIMATE.

The Board of Works yesterday took under advisement the awarding of the contract for the improvement of Forty-eighth street from Normandie avenue to Gramercy place, because all the bids were above the estimate of the City Engineer. The bid submitted by the Los Angeles Construction Company, at \$22,205.79, while the City Engineer's estimate is \$20,257.49.

Chief Deputy City Engineer Hanlon called the attention of the board to the fact that the bid is high in two items—the grading and the culverts at Western avenue and Forty-eighth street. Three bids were submitted, the two others being Bryan & Austin, Inc., \$24,117.75, and the Fairchild-Gilmore-Wilton Company, #32,267.51.

MONEY SAVED.

BY REJECTING BID.

A verbal complaint made by E. H. Wilton, president of the Los Angeles Paving Company, against the rejection of his company's bid for the paving of Eighth street and Park View to be investigated by Mayor Woodman.

At the Board of Public Works it was stated yesterday that the Los Angeles Paving Company offered to lay the paving for \$4,117.75, which was the lowest bid at the time. A property owner named A. S. Koyer objected to making the award at that figure and said that new bids be advertised for. This was done and Tryon & Brain bid \$21,066.33 and the Los Angeles Paving Company awarded to Tryon & Brain and the property owners saved \$20,258.76. Before calling for new bids the Board of Public Works obtained an estimate from the City Engineer who placed the cost at \$21,257.52.

CHIEF NURSE.

LOCAL WOMAN SECOND.

Miss Agnes Trott of the city, who took second place in the city examination for the position of chief nurse in the health department, will probably be appointed as Miss Bessemer. Mrs. Bessemer, who is first, cannot immediately sever her connection with the eastern institution in which she is now employed.

The examinations for chief nurses and thirty-two candidates took the preliminary. The examinations were conducted in Los Angeles, Chicago, New York, and the local Civil Service Commission presented the papers and sent copies to New York and Chicago, where the candidates in those cities answered the questions.

Demand on Supervisors.

The Board of Public Utilities, the city and the City Attorney will join in a demand to the Board of Supervisors for a refund

was filed yesterday by the California National Supply Company against J. H. and Fronia May Dinsmore to recover \$3,390.57, representing a judgment obtained against Rex Midway Oil Company, which forfeited its charter by failure to pay the license tax November 30, 1913. The judgment represents the property of the corporation which they are alleged to own 11,660 shares of the corporation's stock, "upon which the company received one-fifth of 1 per cent upon each share."

Will Prepare Lease.

The Council yesterday instructed the City Attorney to prepare a lease covering four rooms in the Merchants' Trust Building at a monthly rental of \$1,000 for use of the public employment bureau.

Dividend Filed.

Robert M. Christian failed to appear before the City Service Commission to show cause why his name should not be taken from the eligible list of street inspectors the commission ordered the name struck off.

City Hall Notes.

The City Engineer was formally instructed yesterday to proceed with the improvement of Hoover street from Vernon avenue to Fifty-second street.

A draft of an ordinance regulating the cleaning, sterilizing, sale and use of wiping rags was referred to the Health and Sanitation Committee.

The hearing on the protest against the assessment district for the improvement of Broadway from Hazelton avenue to Kester street was set for hearing January 3 at 9 o'clock a.m.

At the Courthouse.

WILL PRODUCE MAN IN FORGERY TRIAL.

ATTORNEYS FIND A CLEW TO HIS WHEREABOUTS.

Defendant Alleges He Received Fifty-dollar Check from the Suspected Bunco Artist for Getting Him Out of Trouble with the Police.

CASE SUBMITTED. Judge Shenk did not decide the Solomon case yesterday, taking it under submission. The grave charges alleged by Mr. Oscar Solomon against Fernando (Kid) Stevens, a boy of the name of Miss Evelyn King, a chorus girl, were denied both by Mr. Solomon and Miss King, who took stand in her own defense.

SUSTAINS DEMURRER. Judge Jackson yesterday sustained a demurral to the amended complaint of defendant, Robert H. H. Palmer, W. H. McLean and W. W. Fraul of Culver City for an alleged libelous publication in the Culver City Call. Mr. Palmer was granted ten days in which to file a second amended complaint.

GIVE AND TAKE.

LACKS FUNDS TO MARRY.

After giving his common-law wife \$20 during an entire year for the support of herself and twin babies, Vincent L. Jackson, a carpenter, has only \$19 of that sum, according to his own admissions before Judge Craig yesterday. He was charged with having been suspected by the police of being a bunco artist. The check was on the bank at Ephraim, Utah, and was passed on A. T. Smith, a local bank employee. According to the attorney for the court they had been apprised of the whereabouts of Mr. Anderson, and with sufficient time could produce him.

FORMATION OF WEST COAST RAILROAD.

Formation of Mexican Navigation and Commercial Company.

Proposing to place a line of steel steamers on the run between Los Angeles Harbor and Mexican West Coast ports, the formation of the Mexican Navigation and Commercial Company was announced yesterday. The officers are Frank D. McLean, president; W. D. Fliss, secretary, and A. W. Crawford, treasurer.

Having already purchased the steamer *Marina*, the company expects to start operation before the first of the year. It is intended to make the first sailing from Los Angeles Harbor the 25th inst.

FORMER KANSAS CITY.

W. B. Johnston, prominent business man and capitalist of Kansas City, is here visiting his mother, Mrs. Johnston, and Mr. Palmer, who are at the Gates Hotel. He expects to stay a month in this city, studying the business methods of Los Angeles.

IN AND OUT.

ABOUT THE COURTS.

SUITS STOCKHOLDERS. A suit under the stockholders' liability act

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Coast Highway.

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the edge of the Broome Rancho, or to run along its irregular borders, there will little difficulty in finding the necessary rights of way. It is estimated that the highway would run through Ventura's coast line for a distance of at least eighteen miles and would reach the Los Angeles county line at the Malibu Ranch.

Continuing through this ranch, the road would run through Santa Monica, Ocean Park, Venetian, and Palos Verdes Ranch, the Los Angeles Harbor to the south beach points, and on down the shore line to San Juan Capistrano.

Armitage of Ventura presented facts and figures showing how the beach population of Southern California has grown and how beach roads will be needed. The State Highway Commission voted \$1,000,000 for the construction of a coast highway in 1911, and the justice of a State appropriation to aid in the construction of a coast-line highway.

FOR PREPAREDNESS.

A strong plea for the construction of the road as a measure of military preparedness was made by former Mayor L. N. Wheatley of Long Beach. He urged the passage of a bill to that effect that in case the war should fail to make the requested appropriation for the building of the proposed highway, then the body meeting shall make a similar request of the State Highway Commission to construct a highway on the line that had been discussed.

He urged that under the provisions of the original act and the measures providing for the last highway bonds, there would be no difficulty in getting the State to appropriate \$1,000,000 for the proposed highway.

The committee appointed to prepare the resolutions and to present them tomorrow before the Assemblymen and Senators of the State Supervisors Hinman and Hamilton of Los Angeles county, Supervisors Perkins and Russ of Ventura county, Supervisors Leek and Talbert of Orange county, and Chairman H. W. Keller of Inglewood.

In the general discussion of the proposed road building it was estimated that the project would cost approximately \$1,000,000 and that with the State assuming half of this cost, the balance would be divided equitably between the three counties in accordance with the amount of land necessary to be constructed in each county. Members of each county pledged themselves to work in every possible manner for the success of the proposed measure.

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—Whether they're of silk or mercized fabrics he will be glad to have them—\$1.00 to \$5.00!

Silk Socks.

—Always a welcome gift—give him one pair or a dozen. Priced—50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00!

Knit Mufflers.

—You'll see a great many being worn this season! Of fiber or silk mixtures, in fancy stripe or solid color effects—\$1.95 to \$7.50.

(Hamburger's Men's Store—Main Floor—Today)

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To Be Doubly Sure That "His" Christmas Gift Will Please—Select It at Hamburger's

For the Golfer—

—Are many things that will please as Christmas gifts—choose them now. (Golf Section—Fourth Floor.)

For Tennis Players—

—Rackets, balls, etc.—you couldn't give anything that would please them better. (Sporting Goods—Fourth Floor.)

For the Autoist—

—Vacuum bottles, robes, gloves, lunch kits, flashlight and many other practical gifts. (Auto Supply Store—Main Floor.)

For the Smoker—

—Cigars, cigarettes, tobacco, pipes, novelties—a large and complete stock. (Cigar Dept.—Main Floor.)

And Jewelry—

—Cuff links, scarf pins, Waldemar chains and other articles that will make the best of Xmas gifts. (Main Floor.)

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Watches for Men—

—Reliable timekeepers here—"Elgin" in a 20-year case, 7-jewel watch at \$10.00; young man's model, \$9.00. (Main Floor.)

Good Luggage—

—The gift for a traveler—is to be had at Hamburger's—the best in the market at the most reasonable prices. (Third Floor.)

His Slippers—

—Select them now while assortments are at their best—many styles, \$2.00 to \$3.50. (Main Floor.)

Last Days San Diego Exposition

This wonderfully beautiful exposition closes forever at midnight, January 1st, 1917.

Don't be amongst those who fail to grasp one of life's opportunities. See this great exposition before it closes.

Mystery surrounded the fatal shooting of the only two birds of prey held in captivity in America.

The Major announced that he will hold a new movement to divide the state into two commonwealths.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. Practically all employees of corporations will receive a weekly golden shower in form of Christmas presents.

The secret of throwing acid lime in the face of Druggist Potts, taken in the face stand and tells his story.

Mr. Bernardino is to have a pair of shoes driven by Santa Claus, for the entertainment of the children.

The Municipal Christmas tree takes place.

PACIFIC SLOPE. German Consuls attack in the name of their country.

The Board of Trade of San Francisco neutrality.

It is a mistake to assume that the more important news is the news of the day.

THE WORLD'S NEW IN TODAY.

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